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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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S I R:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated July 18, 2002. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.

ELECTION OF SPECIES

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested an election of species pursuant to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 between the embodiments illustrated in Figures 1-7 (Embodiment 1) and Figures 8-13 (Embodiment 2).

In response, applicant hereby elects examination of the Embodiment 1, Figures 1-7, and designates claims 1-6 as reading on Embodiment 1

Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement of T. Yanagida in the above-identified patent application entitled SEMICONDUCTOR APPARATUS AND PROCESS OF PRODUCTION THEREOF.

Also enclosed are: Return Receipt Postcard

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required, as well as any patent application processing fees associated with this communication for which full payment has not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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